

## REMARKS

This Response is in response to the Office Action dated September 13, 2001. Claims 1-13 are pending in the present application.

In the above-mentioned Office Action, the Examiner stated that claims 1-13 are subject to a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121. In particular, the Examiner stated that

**Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. § 121:**

- I. Claims 1-7 drawn to a method for insulating a semiconductor device, classified in class 438, subclass 622.**
- II. Claims 8-13, drawn to a semiconductor device, classified in class 257, subclass 215.**

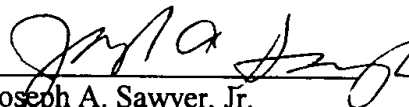
**The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:**

**Inventions Group I and Group II are related as [a] process of making [a product] and [the] product made.**

Applicant hereby elects claims 1-7, with traverse.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant's attorney believes that this application is in condition for allowance. Should any unresolved issues remain, Examiner is invited to call Applicant's attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

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